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Kennedy to Name Parsons As Ambassador to Sweden

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President Kennedy yesterday

announced his intention of naming J. Graham Parsons as Ambassador to Sweden. Mr. Parsons has been Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs.

The President said he would appoint U. Alexis Johnson, Ambassador to Thailand, to replace Mr. Parsons as Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Kennedy said he intends to nominate Mrs. Gladys Avery Tillett of Charlotte, N. C., as United States representative on the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women.

The President also said he will name Mrs. Tillett as an alternate delegate to the United Nations General Assembly convening in the fall.

He also announced his intention of naming Dr. Leland J. Haworth, director of the Brookhaven National Laboratory, as a member of the Atomic Energy Commission. The selection of the 56-year-old scientist completes the membership of the commission.

Out for 2½ Hours

The announcements were made as the President left the White House for 2½ hours after completing a conference on defense spending and policies with Chairman Russell of the Senate Armed Services Committee and Vice President Johnson.

The White House would not reveal where the President went. The White House press secretariat would acknowledge only that the President had left the White House.

Senator Russell, on leaving the White House, indicated that the President soon will recommend some increases in the defense budget to strengthen this country's military forces.

Senator Russell said his discussion with Mr. Kennedy involved defense plans and pro-



DR. LELAND J. HAWORTH
New AEC Commissioner

grams, including the budget, and added:

"It wouldn't be possible to increase the strength of our defenses without increasing expenditures."

He indicated that Mr. Kennedy's defense recommendations will be sent to Congress soon.

The President, who was the honor guest at the White House Correspondents' Association dinner last night, planned to go to his week end retreat near Middleburg, Va., some time today, the White House said. Mrs. Kennedy has been there for several days.

The White House said the President will leave Washington after attending church today. But in keeping with a new ban, the White House refused to indicate when or where the President will worship.

Bonbright Out

Mr. Parsons, who is 53, will succeed James Bonbright in the Swedish post. A graduate of Yale in 1929, Mr. Parsons served from 1932 to 1936 as private secretary to Joseph C. Grew, then United States Ambassador to Japan.

He entered the Foreign Serv-

ice in 1936 and has served in Cuba, Rome and Tokyo. From 1953 to 1956 he was Ambassador to Laos.

Mr. Johnson, 52, joined the Foreign Service in 1935 and his first assignment was in Tokyo. He has filled posts in Korea, China, Brazil, the Philippines and Japan, and in 1953 was named Ambassador to Czechoslovakia. He has been this country's envoy to Thailand since 1958.

Mrs. Tillett, 68, long has been active in Democratic politics. In 1949 she was named as a delegate to the general conference of UNESCO in Paris. She has a law degree from the University of North Carolina.

Dr. Haworth, 56, has specialized in nuclear physics, high energy physics and the surface structure of metals. He is a past president of the American Nuclear Society.

Dr. Haworth started as a high school physics teacher in Indianapolis, and became an instructor at the University of Wisconsin, a fellow at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and an associate professor at the University of Illinois.

He joined the Brookhaven Laboratory in 1947 as assistant director and became director the following year. He is a Republican.

Karamanlis Coming

The White House also announced that Prime Minister Constantine Karamanlis of Greece and Mrs. Karamanlis have accepted the President's invitation to visit the United States.

They will begin their official visit April 17 in Washington.

The President, meanwhile, has accepted the resignation of James S. Lay, Jr., as executive secretary of the National Security Council. Mr. Kennedy expressed "real gratitude" for the services of Mr. Lay, who has been connected with the council since its creation in 1947.

Mr. Lay said he was resigning to accept a position with the Central Intelligence Agency.